

# Dark Matter Mono- $Z$ Production at the LHC beyond Leading Order in the Simplified Models

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We present theoretical predictions for the mono- $Z$  production in the search for dark matter at the LHC with next-to-leading order QCD corrections and parton-shower effects. The calculation is performed in the framework of `{\tt MadGraph5\_aMC@NLO}`. We find that the high order QCD corrections are sizable, and can reduce the theoretical uncertainties. We also investigate the discovery potential of this signal at the 13 TeV LHC.

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